

PLAN MEMORIAL TO POET KEATS

Option Secured on House in Rome Where He Lived and Died.

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President Roosevelt Sends Letter, and King of Italy Expresses Approval.

(By Associated Press.)
ROME, June 18.—After years of negotiations, arrangements have been concluded by which an option has been secured on the house in Piazza di Spagna, in Rome, where the poet, John Keats, lived and died. This house is at the foot of the picturesque Spanish steps, which lead to the Villa Medici, and like it, are owned by France. It is now in a state of being preserved forever as a memorial, not only of Keats, but of his friend and eulogist, Shelley, who was buried near him in the old Protestant cemetery of Rome.

The plan of the promoters of the project, which has been well kept from publicity in America, aims at a complete library of the various editions of the poems and letters of the two great Englishmen, together with all the obtainable criticisms of their work, with original portraits, photographs of places and people associated with them.

It is further planned that the trustees of the house shall exercise perpetual guardianship over the graves of the poets, as the older part of the cemetery, in which Keats is buried, has been threatened with invasion, and the actual removal of his grave was once prevented only by the intervention of Queen Victoria.

begun by Americans.

A movement to buy and preserve the house of Keats and to establish in it a memorial library of the works of him and of Percy Shelley, was set on foot in 1898 by eight American writers, then in Rome; informal committees were organized in that city, in England and in the United States, and a fund of private subscriptions amounting to \$1,000, representing five hundred contributors, has been raised and deposited at Fowler's Bank in Rome.

The difficulties in the way of obtaining an option on the property have seemed at times insuperable. But an option on the house for eight months has just been signed, the committee making an advance payment of six thousand francs on the total purchase price of 16,000 francs (about \$2,000).

The list of subscribers includes the most distinguished names in the literary and political worlds of England and America. While the rentals of the floors of the house which Keats and Shelley did not occupy are expected to be sufficient to provide an ample endowment fund, owners of editions and memorials of the poets are to be invited to contribute or bequeath them to the library.

Letter from President.

The following letter to Mr. R. U. Johnson, Secretary of the American Commission, shows that the international comity of the project has received distinguished recognition:

January 5, 1906.

My Dear Mr. Johnson:

As you know, I am greatly interested in the project to buy and preserve as a memorial the house in Rome in which Keats died, a project which was first called to my attention by John Hay, who felt the liveliest sympathy for it. The association of the building are such as to make it peculiarly fitting that it should be purchased and that therein should be established a permanent memorial in honor of Keats and Shelley. I am glad that the movement to establish this memorial, both in the form of a memorial library and in the form of providing for the perpetual care of the graves of the poets, should have been set on foot by our countrymen.

Sincerely yours,

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

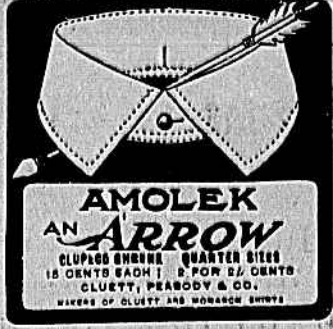
Mr. R. U. Johnson, Secretary American Commission, Keats-Shelley Memorial, No. 33 East Seventeenth Street, New York.

King's Approval.

Rome, March 28, 1906.

Ministry of the Royal House:

His Majesty the King, having already had the project of the memorial English and American citizens to devote the house in which John Keats died to a library of the works, memorials and portraits of the poet, and of Percy Shelley, and to provide permanent guardianship for their graves in Rome, wishes to manifest



his approbation of so noble an undertaking. To confirm this, His Majesty desires to formally attest to you, and through you to the committee, how much he appreciates the solemn and durable form of the project, and how sincerely he hopes that the House of Keats, already dear to the English and American peoples, will acquire new title to their devotion by receiving and preserving also the works and souvenirs of Shelley for study and veneration.

The city of Rome will be proud to witness the founding of this civic temple, sacred to the name of two illustrious men, who loved her and within her walls meditated and wrote imperishable poems.

Accept, dear sir, my respectful compliments.

The Minister,

E. PONZIO VAGLIA.

Mr. Robert Underwood Johnson.

King Edward VII. also has expressed interest in the success of the enterprise.

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Not Absent nor Tardy: Ernest Bluthgen, Adolph Wolsiefer, Eva Hargrove, Martha Mueller.

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Second Honor: George Davis, Kenneth Harris, Florence Pumphrey, Mary Rattie, Others Promoted: Lysle Haselegrave, Russell Rowlett, Cecil Toomba, Seldon Wharton, George Wray.

Neither Absent nor Tardy: Paul Bluthgen, Lella Blanks, Anna Wolsiefer.

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Others Promoted: Allan Sutton, Grace Robertson, August Bromm, Annie Mosley, Raymond Quarles, Ernest Mayo, Julian Blum.

Neither Absent nor Tardy: Ethel Ganzert, Esther Jennings.

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Second Honor: Eselle Agee, Eva Atkinson, Julius Halbleib, Clarence Leftwich, John Tyler, Gus Quisenberry, Nannie Wilkes.

Others Promoted: Robert Ames, Harry Baltz, Leslie Carlisle, Lewis Howard, Eugene Jones, Mary Liffey, Harry Mosley, Willie Peyronnet, Browne Wharton.

Neither Absent nor Tardy: Edward Davis, Robert Hackett, Eva Atkinson.

Fourth A—First Honor: Grace Adams, Frank Bolton, Cecil Harris, Gray Nichols, Claire Payne, Eselle Rawson, Iwan Stein, Russell Tinsley, Irma Tarry, Jacob Wash, Joseph Yeaman.

Second Honor: Edgar Blankenship, Joseph Johnson, Josephine Kahn, Allan Kimbrough, Lella Richardson, Aubrey Arve, Henry Robertson, John Rabineau.

Others Promoted: Arthur Edelbut, Claude Hoy, Esther Korb, Stuart Lohmeyer, Harold-Meyer, Edith Young.

Neither Absent nor Tardy: Howard King.

Third B—First Honor: Blanch Brock, Violet Clarke, Lucy Cosby, Maud Duke, Elliott Haselegrave, Josephine Hierholzer, Wythe Howard, Tarry Jones, Olga Pohlig, Louise Quarles, Grace Rollins, Annie Scott, Winfree Tate, Robert Toomba.

Second Honor: Richard Ellis, Grace Kelley, Merle Meyer.

Neither Absent nor Tardy: Elmo Burton, Oradway Wash.

Seventh B—First Honor: Lella Leftwich.

Second Honor: Irene Lucas, Julia Rattie, Erma Adams, Willie Bromm, Edna Moore, Alice Gilman.

Others Promoted: Hammett Hazlewood, Richmond Crawford, Edgar Hatch, Harry Hamilton, John Collins, John McManus, Upshur Bowen.

Neither Absent nor Tardy: Edna Moore, Seventh A—First Honor: Ethel Nuckols, Mamie Wiesmann, Mary Clarke.

Second Honor: Louise Leftwich, Hilda Will, Virgie Ellis, Kate Sims, Evelyn Roane.

Others Promoted: Louis Arnall, Waverly Boze, Willie Garner, George Heller, Harry Granger, Elwood Lohmeyer, Louis Schumann, Russell Tate.

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Decline of American Insurance Abroad.

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Cupid Leads Victims in Doves, Quartettes and Couples

Mexicans Chased Rich Americans Stealing Brides, but Lost Race.

PHILADELPHIA, June 18.—George C. Boldt, Jr., son of the millionaire proprietor of the Bellevue-Stratford and the Waldorf-Astoria, and his friend, Howard Throckmorton, of New York, are coming to visit their friends in the East with their two beautiful brides, after a series of romantic adventures against many perilous Mexican beasts in the famous little bull-fighting town of Tia Juana, upon the Mexican border.

Dispatches received by friends here yesterday stating that "All's well," revealed considerable anxiety that has existed in society circles over the safety of the two well-known young men whose stirring wooing has only been hinted at in three brief news dispatches from different parts of the attempted murder of Mr. Throckmorton by jealous Mexicans who trailed the elopers from Tia Juana.

Others Promoted: Albert Baldwin, Lewis Agee.

Neither Absent nor Tardy: Winfree Tate, Haskins Garrett, Grace Rollins.

Third A—First Honor: Elmer Bischoff, Willy Cox, Creed Davis, Katherine Hackett, Mary Hendrick, Marie Hutchinson, John Jones, Davy Lucas, Katie McKenna, Jessie Mosley, Charley Rowe, Maud Rudd, Charley Stern, John Wilks.

Second Honor: May Boltz, Norwood Schonberg, Howard Seiden, Waverly Welmer, Irma Dyson, Alvin Farmer, Laurence Klesbert, Julius Meyer.

Neither Absent nor Tardy: Elmer Bischoff, Charley Stern.

Second B—First Honor: Percis Priddy, Charley Gerlach, Willie Harris, Mary Thomasson, Angie Sims, Lurline Nuckols, Minnie Myer, Willie Moore, Raymond Kuhn, Pelham Clarke, Russell McGregor, Lillian Burrus, Isabelle Thomas, Salie Rud, Edward Anderson.

Second Honor: Inez Harlow, Joe Welmer, Emily Schott, Mildred Davis, Nettie Gibb, Aubrey Gilman, Edward Keeton, Aylise Tignor, Jessie Moore, Lilly Hoy, Harry Davidson, George Adams, Robert Schumann, Sarah Wash, Tyler Burrus, Ruth Dickerson.

Neither Absent nor Tardy: Raymond Kuhn, Willie Harris, Gladys Rowe, Isabelle Thomas.

Second A—First Honor: Ellsworth Willshire, Mary Hatcher, Maud Krouse, Irene Hargrove, Grace Edgart.

Second Honor: George Atkinson, Lynne Kain, Thomas Keeton, Irving Meyer, Winston Rabineau, Coleman Hackett, Irene Atkinson, Esther Beck, Ethel Krouse, Addie Pollard, Ethel Butten, Beatrice Dunn, Lansing Edwards, Agnes Hunter, Grace Wright.

Neither Absent nor Tardy: Ethel Krouse.

First B—First Honor: Warren Bowen, Karl Bowman, George Brittain, Edna Brown, Ivy Burrus, Gladys Ganzert, Earl Richardson, Meredith Richardson, Annie Robertson.

Second Honor: Jennie Barker, Reuben Blanton, Marianne Bolton, Wilbur Bowles, Dora Cohen, Meyer Cohen, Jasper Crump, Richard Duke, Lillie Duke, Robert Gilman, Alvin Hite, Louie Krug, Elizabeth Hargrove, Thelma Lucas, Edwin Scott, Elise Tyler, Walter Tyler, Katherine Young.

Neither Absent nor Tardy: George Brittain, Ivy Burrus, Annie Robertson.

First A—First Honor: Grace Watkins, Eva Beveridge, Garland Burrus, Elmo Burton, Isabel Godwin, Eva Ellis, Alfred Haskins, Eselle Lane, Adolph Walsh.

Second Honor: Stuart Gatta, Alfred Henna, Eddie Lowry, Forrest Powell, James Rattie, Oradway Wash, Carlyle Woodall.

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Disinherited Son of Millionaire is Glad He Wed French Maid.

NEW YORK, June 18.—Just say for me that I want to do the same thing over again I'd do it." John "Alston" Moorhead, son of the millionaire steel man of Pittsburg, is living very quietly out on Long Island. With her is the pretty French girl whom he married in opposition to his family's wishes.

Miss Marguerite Clemente was governess in the Moorhead household, and the young man fell desperately in love with her.

"All this will break my mother's heart," said young Moorhead. "She feels terribly, of course, that I got married the way I did. But it will come out all right in the end."

"I'm not ashamed to work, and you bet I'll work if anything happens. But just take a tip from me, nothing is going to happen."

as well. A life insurance company gains nothing except empty show and added expense in spreading out to this extent. Smaller companies and a reasonably limited area of operations are better—Springfield Republican.

The Last of the Buffalo.

The buffalo should be preserved and renewed in the forest reserves. The number remaining is small. Fortunately the little flocks in captivity are widely scattered, so that no unexpected epidemic can suddenly complete their extermination.

The Austin-Corbin herd at Meriden, N. H., now numbers 154 fine animals, one-half of which are males. The new herd in the Yellowstone Park was started a few years ago with eight cows from the Austin-Corbin herd and three bulls from the Goodnight herd in Texas. Three calves have since been captured from the wild herd in the mountains, and the total number is now forty-three. They are inclosed in a large field near the Mammoth Hot Springs, and form one of the most interesting spectacles in the park. The wild buffaloes in the park at the time of its reservation numbered about four hundred. The poachers and head hunters pursued them remorselessly until tardily enacted laws put an end to the nefarious traffic. Concealed in the most unfrequented part of the park, the calves exposed to wolves and mountain lions, the number has steadily declined. Six good horned bulls, one of which was a bull of the yearling, were taken last spring, and only about twenty remain alive. The Flathead herd in Montana, when divided and partly sold a few years ago, had increased to nearly three hundred. They were the property of a man who had been engaged in the slaughter when the hide hunters were engaged in their deadly work. It was a profitable business venture, for the animals are now worth \$20 and upwards a piece. The Hon. James Philip (best known among his friends as "Scotty") Philip has a herd near Fort Pierre, S. D., which has increased from 23 to 118. They are in a climate and locality admirably adapted to the buffalo, among the bluffs of the Upper Missouri River. These animals are magnificent specimens of the pure plains breed. The Goodnight herd in Texas now numbers forty-four—Outing.

Immigration and Politics.

The United States has now about 84,000,000 people, many of whom have come here within the last decade and are fast becoming Americanized. There is room for the remaining 24 per cent. of the Southern States which get none of the immigrants.

The States which are receiving the most immigrants are the ones most likely to increase their representation in the House of Representatives when the next apportionment is made. That means they will have more presidential electors.

The States which get none of the immigrants will not have collectively so much political power as they have now. The attempts some Southern States are beginning to make to attract immigration may be prompted by political as well as economic considerations.—Chicago Tribune.

Waning Interest in Philippines.

The first flush of enthusiasm for Philippine expansion seems to have gone; teachers who went out there with interested expectations are glad to get back to the States; those who went as carpetbaggers looking for chances have given up the quest; and it is reported that the grade of men coming from the United States at present is distinctly below the standard of the clerical forces in the early days of American occupation. There is no doubt that climatic conditions have much to do with this change in the situation. Many Americans find the tropical environment undesirable, and when the novelty wears off they long for the home-land. Many of them went out for the sake of the little notion of geographic climate, customs or language. In other words, they were entirely unfitted for what was in store for them. Failure was inevitable, as it will be for others, until systematic training in essentials

Thirty-Six Young Women Clerks Resign Positions to Get Married.

PITTSBURGH, June 18.—There'll be new faces behind the counters in Bogue, Buhl's big department store, in Allegheny, for 36 young women clerks have resigned to get married. How Cupid managed to make such a wholesale raid on the store is a mystery. The girls did not hand in their resignations in a bunch. They went to the timekeeper singly and kept him busy all day yesterday listening to their shy explanations. It is declared that not one of the three dozen knew that any of the others was engaged.

All of the girls proposed to quit immediately. When asked why they did not give reasonable notice, they said they kept their engagements secret to avoid teasing by their fellow-clerks. The three dozen weddings are all to take place this month.

Millionaires in the Senate.

No less a person than a member of the Supreme Court of Wisconsin has declared in favor of keeping millionaires out of the United States Senate. This is pretty bold doctrine, and is likely to meet with wide approval, but we do not think it is simply on account of wealth alone. It ought not to be. There should be no prejudice against well-deserved honest-earned wealth, even if it amounts to a million dollars.

But there is in the suggestion that has meaning to it. A man who is worth a million dollars is very apt to be personally interested in nearly all schemes of national legislation. That is the matter with the United States Senate today. Hardly a piece of legislation relating to the great financial, transportation or industrial interests can be proposed that several Senators are not personally related to it.—Ohio State Journal.

Making a Hit With It.

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